

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: <b>Childress et al.</b>	§ Confirmation No.: <b>7113</b>
Serial No.: <b>10/809,585</b>	§
	§ Group Art Unit: <b>2615</b>
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Filed: <b>March 25, 2004</b>	§ Examiner: <b>Paul, Disler</b>
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For: <b>Method and Apparatus for Volume Reduction in a Vehicle</b>	§ Attorney Docket No.: <b>AUS920040120US1</b>

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Prior to continued examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.